



**PARKS &
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MINUTES
PARKS & PARKWAY ADVISORY BOARD
Ed Burke Recreation Center 11400 NE 9th Court
Saturday, January 4, 2014 at 10:00AM

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Present - Dan Keys, Barbara Kuhl, Robert Silverman, Randy Wagoner
Guests- David Coviello, Fred Jonas, Roxy Ross, Chuck Ross

2. AGENDA ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

None

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – See below

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

May 16, 2012 - not available
July 18, 2012 - not available
August 29, 2012 - not available
September 19, 2012 - not available
December 18, 2013 - Passed unanimously

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. None

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Planning and Design session for NE 6th Avenue at 113 street landscaping related to FDOT grant project and secondary entrance areas.

The Board discussed a request from the Administration for advice regarding the type of trees to be planted on the East and West sides of the NE 6th Avenue, bridge, at 113th street. This planting is related to an FDOT grant project. In addition to the Board members, numerous members of the audience participated in the discussion.

Members commented that a planting at least complementary to the existing landscaping along N.E. 6th Avenue should be considered, as the community has positively received the aesthetics of it and because maintenance of this type of planting is less costly. After discussing the merits of both palms and shade trees, there was a consensus that palms should be used. Various palms were discussed and due to the raised and therefore drier conditions present on the bank of the bridge, it was decided that Sabal palmetto palms should be used.



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Furthermore, once again in response the site conditions, it was decided that a single row of palms rather than groupings should be used.

Discussion was held on possible future under plantings scenarios and it was clear that there would be ample options that would work harmoniously with the choice of Sabal palms as the tree planting.

The need for planning and budgeting for an irrigation system was discussed. Mr. Sosa-Cruz advised that the palms would be watered with the portable water tank in the mean time.

The Board and guests viewed the Sabal palm plantings at the Recreation Center and discussed the recommended spacing. It was decided that the final spacing should provide for a slight separation between the frond canopies. Dan Keys advised that he would work with Mr. Sosa-Cruz to space out and flag the locations for the palms at the site and assist with producing a drawing to be used as a submission to the Florida Department of Transportation.

7. NEXT MEETING DATE –

February 19, 2014

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11 am.

Minutes approved on _____

By: _____
Dan Keys, Chair